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Dear Sirs:

A Notice of Non-Responsive Amendment dated June 4, 2009 was mailed in response to a Request for Rehearing dated May 11, 2009 requesting a Re-hearing to the Decision on Appeal dated February 11, 2009.

In the May 11, 2009 Request for Re-hearing, there were no amendments to the claims. The Request includes only remarks in reply to the Decision on Appeal. However, the Request also included an Exhibit which is a copy of an early Amendment from the file history. This copy of the earlier Amendment is only an Exhibit, and was not intended to be entered as a current Amendment.

Appellant has contacted the Examiner telephonically and clarified the issue. Appellant requests that the Request for Rehearing of May 11, 2009 be re-entered for

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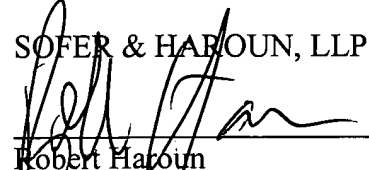
submission to the Board of Appeals with the exhibit Amendment properly entered as an exhibit only.

Respectfully submitted

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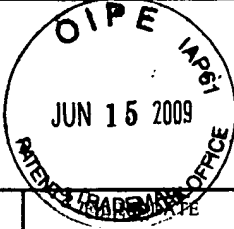
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Applicant's amendments filed May 11, 2009 amends the claims that are already cancelled. The pending claims are 45-56. Accordingly, the amendments are considered non-responsive. See 37 CFR 1.111.

Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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Primary Examiner, Art Unit 1617